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FIRST DEFENDERS OF LIBERTY

T T is not creditable to the citizens of Tonopah that they did not Join unanimously in the demonstration held last evening to celebrate the victorious advance of the noble remnant of the once powerful army that stood as a bulwark against the encroachments of autocracy on the Balkan frontier. The whole world owes a debt of gratitude to the Serbs who entered the war after all overtures bad been rejected and nothing remained but the alternative of resisting the enemy or submitting ignobly to the terms of the three greatest and most thoroughly organized military monarchies on the face of the globe. To read of the gallant struggle of this kingdom to maintain its independence and sovereignty against the mailed fist of the kaiser and his vassal, the emperor of the dual monarchy of Austria-Hungary, is to absorb an epic that stands for a number of days following the without rival in all the tragedies of the present war. Serbia, man for man, has done more in the present war than all other nations for she threw her entire man power into the hazard and staked her future on challenging the right to live in peace and happiness rather than surrender to the insolent demands of the kaiser.

With an area of less than one-sixth of the state of Nevada Serbia dared to stand upon its battle born rights and from its population of 2,750,000 and an army of 36,000 men made a stand at the Danube against the tens of millions mobilized by the foe in a hopeless struggle whose hopelessness did not dannt the arder or chill the patriotic fervor of these people. Serbia suffered worse than (By Associated Press) even Belgium for her people were forced to seek refuge in their mountains where the allies could not reach them with the mitigating hand of benevolent intervention or deliver either food, clothing. medicines or munitions. Alone the Serbians fought with their back efforts in their work to safeguard ous," a big freighter now in course to the wall, constantly retreating but never subdued until, after long years of privation, the allied governments finally succeeded in introducing its helping hand and the succoring offices of the Red Cross. For four years the Serbs fought their lonely fight in the recess of their hills where the sheltering hand of nature in her most rugged moods protected them from extreme barbarities of the oppressor. The Serbs suffered more than Belgium for the latter kingdom was on the frontier of the fighting where help could be extended and the merciful hand of assistance thrust forth to ameliorate the horrors of a country crushed under the iron heel of the ruthless conqueror. Serbia starved back in the isolation of its impregnable peaks, the women were subjected to all the unspeakable atrocities conceived in the minds of a lustful horde of vandals, the old men were sold into slavery to the Turkish barbarian whose lawlessness had been resisted ever since the seventh century when the Slavs sought refuge in the Balkan peninsula to exercise the privilege of worshiping according to Christian rites and in defiance of the Moslem hosts besetting their frontiers. Never was there a race with a keener appreciation of the divine right of liberty of conscience and never was there a population more united in defending the principles which constituted the cornerstone of the petty kingdom so majestic in its ideals and so persistent in its adherence to Christianity when apostacy would have brought personal aggrandizement and social elevation

How many of those citizens of Tonopah who stood on the side- abroad the lofty enterprise of the But our hearts are brave and strong of the country. Voluntary and pate ilks last night and scorned to join in the celebration know that grimy mechanics among whom he the first Tonopah blood shed in this world's war was that of a Serbian miner whose patriotism led him to volunteer for defense of his country two years before the United States entered hostilities? When thousands are enjoying comfortable homes in Tonopah does it occur to them that this man was a type of the men who paraded last night under the flag of their lost country which fluttered proudly in unison with the Stars and Stripes of their adopted country in honor of the fact that the little and noble army of Serbs under its reconstruction is now marching back over the same old trail stained with the blood of their shoeless feet and tears of their mothers, wives, daughters and babes dropping by the wayside from the hunger gnawing at their vitals and swelling the rolls of martyrs to the cause of Liberty. Do the people of Tonopah recognize the fact that the second fatality involving the name of a Tonopah man was that of another Serbian fighting under the colors of the United States? Or, perhaps the shortlived memories of our people do not cherish the spectacle of the thirty-one Slavcnian heroes who left Tonopah of their own free will in a body to enlist in the ranks of the men who thirst for a chance to avenge the abomination visited upon their relatives at home. These are facts known to every one of the present residents of Tonopah which should have actuated them to make the celebration of last evening an event in the history of Tonopah.

No No No No No No No No With Fuel Administrator Garfield reporting a 12.4 per cent loss to bituminous coal production due to car shortage, it is clear tism which would probably exagger-

that there is urgent need for an overhauling somewhere. Does the president want congress to pass another Overman act authorizing him to co-ordinate and reorganize the departments and bureaus and commissions?

Ten million dollars worth of art works were imported by this country during the fiscal year 1918, not including a bust of Colonel calm when the news arrived. I be- work, handed recently to Charles E. M. House nor a portrait of Ham Lewis.

Funny world, isn't it. You can get only two pounds of sugar per month at about ten cents a pound, but if you have money you can get 100 pounds of sugar a day in the form of candy, at about 60 cents per pound.

A man writes to the New York Sun urging experiments with the wool of long haired dogs. Champ Clark's houn' dog is suggested for the sacrifice, as he is suspected of being a camouflaged sheep-killer.

Dr. Garfield, the United States fuel administrator, is out with another explanation of the coal shortage. It is to the effect that the cause is the failure of the railway administration to supply cars. The director-general of railways said recently that the fuel

administration could have all the ears he could use. But this is England of the impression the Ameri-

neither here no there. What the public would like to obtain from Dr. Garfield is an explanation of why he finds it forever necessary to make explanations.-C. S. Monitor.

Henry Ford says, in proof of his Republicanism, that when he territory, Local banks now estimate was 21 years, in 1884, his father took him by the hand, led him to that between 150,000 and 200,000 the polls, and caused him to east his ballot for James A. Garfield. of the copper coins are in circulation As Garfield had been dead three years in 1884 it may be that what in Hawaii. Henry really did was to vote for Andy Jackson.—National Republi-

MY HONOLULU PENNY

(By Associated Press) HONOLULU, Sept. 24.—The war has brought the neretofore despised penny to Hawail. A year ago there

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ALLIED AIR RAIDS IN GERMANY DISASTROUS

oners. While statements of this kind ing and blowing up. must generally be treated with re-

A prisoner subsequently stated that fect was enormous,

the truth.

LONDON, Sept. 24.—The increas- through Valenciennes as a big en- munition train was hit and blew up ing destructiveness of allied air gineers' dump had been hit and bar- in Valenciennes, a fact which fully raids is attested to by German pris. rels of oil and explosives were burn- confirms the British official report

serve, there is evidence that this several photographs taken during Still another report by a recently particular information is very near the raid showed the explosion. A captured German prisoner records party of prisoners captured later that a saw mill at Somain, managed Valenciennes station was heavily volunteered the information that the by a German and employing 150 bombed by British airmen recently, dump blew up and that the moral ef- workmen, was confipletely destroyed.

A prisoner is responsible for the was bombed by British airmen.

that direct hits were obtained upon A raid was made on an ammuni- a moving train at Valenciennes on

as the result of an air raid. Somain

NGS THE SONGS OF THE SHIPS WHILE RESTING UP ON SUN

by his enthusiastic words is inspir of victory. ing his fellow laborers to greater

from the elements their scourges and harness the winds to their blazing forges" are 'America's war time ship workers, as idealized in the verses of Arthur Rupp, world wanderer and now poet-in-overalls and wielder of sledge and wrench in the plant at Alameda, Cal., across the

bay from San Francisco. Rupp's shipbuilding lyrics are win assert he has crystallized into poetry the high spirit of the men whose skill and brawn have made possible the successive world's records in ship yards of the west.

Arthur Rupp lives in a modest week he is a "bolter-up" at a shipbuilding plant, driving into place with hammer and wrench the steel plates that make the hulls of the ocean cargo carriers. On the seventh day he becomes the poet whose envisages the purpose and blazons works. In the quiet of his cottage, where for four years he has lived alone, the turnult of the "rivet guns."

the American soldiers in the war.

the war and little realization of the

"I wondered what would happen

when the Americans had their first

big affair," he writes. "I anticipated

an unprecedented burst of patrio-

ate what had been accomplished by

"The German drive started, and

he reports came in of the way the

firm, and, in fact had done all that

perience had led me to expect.

continued. One man said, 'We're

getting a lot of credit. I wonder if

it's true.' Women, whom I had heard

again and again making remarks to

the effect that 'the boys would show

them how to fight,' were absolutely subdued. Not a single boastful ex-

pression have I heard. On all sides

people are wearing a quiet smile.

The external enthusiasm seems to

have vanished right into their hearts.

and today the United States is re-

alizing with quiet pride the serious-

ness and tremendous possibilities of

"When I read in dispatches from

the cause it has undertaken.

sacrifices involved.

he American troops.

By Associated Press) clamor of the thousands of workers SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 24.—Call-taken on the rhythm of a vast symformin has a shipbuilding poet who phony through which runs the theme

> On "The Building of the Courageof construction, Rupp wrote:

der Armed with the powers that circle

We strike the steel till it roars like thunder And cringes before our riveting

guns. Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation's We draw from the elements their years ago. Rupp is of Swiss ancestry. scourges.

we grip; ning him recognition. His admirers We harness the winds to our blazing playe and workman in a can manu-

forges, lant ship-

construction established by the great Heroes are we in our place of duty, been at home in America," he said.

COURAGES.

ottage at Alameda. Six days a We smooth the rough into lines of ing of her civilization have been beauty, And beat the rude into forms of

> charm. Where death entices our feet to

slip; . is our muscle. And thus we are building the noble

COURAGEOUS.

and ' now know more of the United

MOUNDSVILLE, W. Va., Sept. 21

-Digging and loading coal is a

"essential" industry during times of

17 hundred weight earning \$18.20

LONDON, Sept. 5.—One English and their quiet way of accomplish-

man writes from Kansas City to a ing things, I was inclined to be

London newspaper to express his skeptical. I am no longer skeptical.

surprise because Americans are not The past few weeks of the war

boasting over the achievements of seem to have changed everything,

Before the Americans began to States as a nation than I could have

fight he was much impressed by learned had I lived here for thirty

boys had held the line and stood profitable, in addition to being an

their home folks had expected of war, as demonstrated by the record

them. There semed to be an ominous pay check of \$169.89 for eleven days'

gan to look for the uproar, for the Fogle, a local miner. In one day of

enthusiasm which my previous ex- the period Fogle loaded 30 tons and

"Now came the enigma. The calm for eight hours' work.

evidences of great enthusiasm for years of peace-time,"

All that is potent in deed and thought. Hear me, ye statesmen, poets and sagest

Hercules never like one of us wrought!

Giants of achievement, who "draw Giants are we in our works of won- Rise from your keel, Oh shell of glory!

So do I sing as the hammers trip Mighty be you in the world's great story.

For thus we are building the mighty ship.

Born in Syracuse, New York, 45 Although he has been in California The bolts of Jove to our wheels for the past ten years of his life. most of the time as a rallway em facturing plant, Rupp said the great And thus we are building the gal- er number of his years had been given to sea. "Wherever I have wan dered the world round, my-heart has Grappling with dangers of pain and "and to sing her place in the progress of life and to teach the mean-

We clamber, and run, and haul, and National League For Woman's Service

among my greatest ambitions."

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